

Private U.S. Plane Forced To Land at Lydda

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday. — A "Cessna 302" private American plane was forced to land at 3:45 p.m. today by Israel Air Force planes after it refused to identify itself while flying over Israel.

The plane's passengers, two men and a woman, all about 40 years old, and a one-and-a-half-year-old infant, Americans, were not detained after they identified themselves. As it was after dark, they decided to remain overnight and resume their flight tomorrow (Thursday) in their two-engine plane.

The plane was first sighted shortly after 3 p.m. at an altitude of 10,000 feet, when it contacted the Lydda Airport control tower asking for weather information. When asked by the control tower to identify himself, the pilot refused.

The Air Force was immediately notified, and several fighter planes rose to meet the private plane, which was flying in the direction of Jerusalem, and forced it to land here.

The plane, which was apparently on its way from Athens to Kalamia in Jordan and had lost its way, was later towed to the tarmac outside the Bedek maintenance hangar.

U.S. May Nibble At Rights to Beat USSR

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Secretary of State Dulles said today that the American people might have to give up some small marginal freedoms if they wanted to beat the Soviet Union's military and scientific challenges.

Addressing a conference of the National Defence Executive Reserve, Mr. Dulles pleaded for a greater American effort "during this period — it may be short, it may be long — before the forces of freedom prevail and destroy this great monolithic structure which opposes and threatens us."

The Secretary of State said Russia had considerable reserves and was under extremely able direction. "It is the ambition of those who rule these billion people and their reserves to concentrate their efforts into channels which they believe will enable them to dominate the world."

The Question

"The question is whether we can surpass them and still retain the essentials of freedom. We may have to give up some small marginal freedoms that we have. I do not know."

"I have no doubt whatsoever that the contest can be brought to an end on terms which still support freedom throughout the world. But we must accept certain conditions."

One such condition was to accept a greater degree of interdependence between free nations. Mr. Dulles who addressed the meeting extemporaneously, added that the theme of interdependence would be further developed by the heads of government of the NATO countries in Paris next month.

Garcia Wins In Philippines

MANILA, Wednesday (UP). — The Interim President, Mr. Carlos Garcia, apparently had won the Philippine presidential election today. The counting of ballots was incomplete but the returns were conclusive.

Complicating the tally was the destruction caused by "Typhoon Kit" which swept central Luzon on Election Day yesterday, leaving 19 persons dead. Nine other persons, including six policemen, were killed by political violence in the election. The "smoothest and safest" ever held in Philippine history.

Mr. Garcia, who became President last March when President Magasaysay was killed in a plane crash, rolled up an ever mounting lead over the Liberal candidate, Mr. Jose Yulo. The farm vote turned the tide.

Tunisian Troops Said Killed On Algerian Border

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Several Tunisian soldiers were killed this morning in frontier shooting with French soldiers, according to reports from French military sources in Algiers.

These reports said that French soldiers were pursuing an Algerian insurgent who was fleeing towards the Tunisian frontier 600 metres away, in the Souk Ahras area, when a Tunisian patrol opened fire on the French soldiers.

In the course of a brief engagement, several Tunisian soldiers were reported killed. There was no official comment either in Algiers or Tunisia.

Meanwhile, the French Council of Ministers met in special session for one-and-a-half-hour sessions tonight to discuss "the development of the situation regarding the possibility of the supply of arms to Tunisia."

A brief official communique gave no more details.

In Batna, Algeria, four Tunisians and a French sergeant were killed, and two other French soldiers wounded in a shooting affray.

Hussein Blasts Egyptian, Syrian Rulers As Agents of Communism

Israel Meeting Syria in M.A.C. Today on Tawafik Incidents

Jerusalem Post Reporter.

Israel and Syria are scheduled to meet today at an emergency session of the Mixed Armistice Commission for the first time in two years to discuss last week's assaults in the Beit Katzir demilitarized zone, south-east of Lake Kinneret.

The meeting was set by the Truce Supervision Organization at the request of the Syrians. It will take place at the customs house building, used during the French mandate, across the Jordan River on the Damascus Road in Syrian territory.

Israel's representatives, Mr. Joseph Tekoa and Rav-Serivan Tefner, will cross the bridge at Beit Yacov.

Syria has complained that Israelis fired on the divided village of Tawafik. Most of the village lies in Syrian territory.

Syrian Shooting

Israel has requested that her complaint that Syrians fired across the lines on November 6, killing a policeman and wounding another, be placed on the agenda.

The Syrian firing occurred on the third day of drainage work being carried out inside Israel territory in Wadi Tawafik between Tawafik village and Beit Katzir. A U.N. Observer was present at the time, standing near a bulldozer used in the work. An Israeli Observer was located on the Syrian side when the firing broke out. The Syrian local commander had earlier threatened that his troops would shoot. This threat was made with regard to the demilitarized zones. This policy has always been that disputes over civilian activities within the zones are within the competence of the Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization or the Chairman of the M.A.C. not that of the full M.A.C. itself.

Whenever problems of this nature have arisen, such as the Hula drainage project, they have been discussed by Israel and the T.S.O. On the other hand, Syria has held up the work of the M.A.C. by accusing Israel of firing across the lines in the zones, which are Israel territory, and because her stand has not been upheld, she has not attended regular meetings of the M.A.C.

Not Since 1955

Emergency meetings have not been held since 1955 because neither side has asked for one. The complaints to be aired today do not involve principles involving the demilitarized zone, but purely military matters.

It is understood that the U.N. Observers have carried out a survey of the border in the Shamir area, north of Lake Tawafik, in order to delineate the border accurately in an attempt to prevent border incidents there.

Radio Ramallah reported last night that Colonel Byron Leary, U.N. Chief of Staff, returned to Jerusalem on Tuesday from a three week visit to U.N. Headquarters in New York where he had been on Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld's request. (Leader — Page 4)

'Solidarity Pact Worthless'

King Hussein of Jordan yesterday denounced the rulers of Egypt and Syria as tools of international Communism, and charged that they were trying to spread Communism in Jordan through their current campaign of subversion.

At a press conference in Amman, he told newsmen that the campaign was, however, having the opposite effect on Jordan's refugee population to that intended, and that the Jordan Army and people were united behind the Government.

The Jordan monarch reiterated that his country's policy regarding the "Palestine problem" remained unchanged. "The last thing any sane person would believe is that Jordan would make peace with Israel," he added.

Answering a question on the possibility of Jordan severing relations with Egypt, the King said that such a move would depend on "future developments." He said that it is his hope that the people of Egypt and Syria would succeed in removing "the criminal leaders who work hand-in-hand with world Communism."

TRIPOLI WATER PIPE SABOTAGED

The water pipeline feeding the Lebanese port town of Tripoli was blown up last night by unknown saboteurs, Kol Yisrael reported, quoting Agence France Presse.

Severe damage was done and the water supply seriously affected, the report said. The Arab News Agency reported from Beirut yesterday that a Lebanese Deputy George Akel, has submitted to Parliament a draft bill calling for the death penalty for subversive activities.

Feuding Families Again Clash in N. Lebanon

BEIRUT, Wednesday. — Troops were called in today to halt another outbreak of violence between the continually feuding French and Duweili clans, after two persons were reported killed and scores wounded.

The feuding mountain dwellers in the Zahrata area in north Lebanon fired sub-machineguns and rifles, and threw dynamite sticks in clashes last night and this morning.

The Cabinet discussed the latest clashes today and decided to take urgent action to restore calm and order.

The army clamped a curfew in the area in an effort to bring order. Many villagers were said to have moved to Tripoli for safety.

The two feuding groups fought bitterly during the general election last June, and the clashes then caused more than 20 deaths. It is a political as well as a family quarrel, because the Franghiys oppose, and the Duweili support the present Government.

Lebanon Expels 'Guardian' Newsmen

BEIRUT, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Lebanese Government today ordered the expulsion of Michael Adams, staff correspondent here for the "Manchester Guardian."

He was given 48 hours to leave the country.

It was understood the government objected to Mr. Adams' reporting on recent events in the Lebanon. The authorities also put a ban on the sale of the "Manchester Guardian."

Cairo Chief of Staff Received at Kremlin

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Egyptian Chief of Staff, Gen. Abdul Hakim Amer, and the other members of the Egyptian military delegation were today received in the Kremlin by Premier Bulganin, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, Deputy Premier Mikoyan, and Defence Minister Marshal Malinovsky, Moscow Radio reported.

Saud Calls For Israel's Liquidation

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — King Saud of Saudi Arabia called for all Arabs yesterday to "uproot" Israel. In a speech prepared for delivery in his capital, and released by the Saudi Arabian Embassy here, Saud said Zionism has been able to dig its claws into the body of Arab Palestine.

"It has rallied imperialistic states and plotted and intrigued them against the Arabs in order to achieve its expansionist ambition in the Arab countries," the King said. "All Arab and Moslem peoples should make every sacrifice to uproot this cancer, get rid of its evil and return (the Arab) refugees to their homes and restore to them their property."

The speech was made on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of Saud's accession to the throne.

NEW FLOODS MENACE ITALY'S PO AREA

ROME, Wednesday (UP). — The authorities evacuated some communities in the Po valley in the face of warnings of new flooding.

Army units were ordered to set up field kitchens to feed thousands of homeless from the area where Italy's largest river, the Po, flows into the Adriatic Sea.

In June 1954, he became Premier in succession to Clement Gottwald who was made President following the resignation of Dr. Benes. He became President on March 21, 1955 when Gottwald died. Zapotocky suffered a severe heart attack in August, 1956 which kept him away from his official duties for some time.

Gruenther and Israel Leaders 'Talk Around the Moon'

Jerusalem Post Reporter.

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday. — General Alfred Gruenther, President of the American Red Cross and former Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, told pressmen today that, besides Red Cross matters, "other subjects, such as the weather, the moon," were touched on during his talks yesterday with Government leaders.

General Gruenther neatly side-stepped reporters' questions on military and NATO subjects, and stressed that he had come in his capacity as a Red Cross leader.

The General was leaving by Air France on his way to the U.S. after a one-day visit as guest of the Government and Magen David Adom. Israel was his only stop on the way home from an international Red Cross convention in New Delhi.

Revealing a cheerful sense of humor, General Gruenther said he had had tea with the Prime Minister, coffee with the Foreign Minister, and was given a lift to Jerusalem by the Chief of Staff. Mrs. Chaim Weizmann, President of M.D.A., entertained him to lunch and the U.S. Charge d'Affaires, Mr. W. O. Baxter, was his host at dinner last night. General Gruenther noted that his reception here had been "very hospitable."

He said he had found great progress here in the field of Red Cross work, and there were certain things the American organization could learn from the M.D.A.

Asked if the New Delhi conference had discussed action against nations violating the Geneva Convention, the General said the organization tried to avoid controversies and was interested in developing an understanding between all the 83 nations represented at the conference.

General Gruenther, who was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. George M. Elsey, was seen off by representatives of the M.D.A. and the U.S. Embassy.

Phillips Proposes Border Guarantee

Jerusalem Post Reporter.

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Mr. Morgan Phillips, Secretary-General of the British Labour Party, said today that, in his opinion the West should guarantee the frontiers of Israel so as to leave her free to continue her constructive work in peace.

This, he told a press conference, should be part of a general settlement of Middle East problems. The Arab refugees, he said, should become the responsibility of the international community. The poverty in the Arab world could be fought by means of a sort of Marshall or Colombo plan.

The Labour Party has charged a special committee with formulating a comprehensive statement on the Middle East situation, he said. Asked whether he believed an agreement with the USSR could be achieved in the Middle East, Mr. Phillips said he did "not only in the Middle East, but in the world."

When queried if the Labour Party regretted its attitude towards the Suez Campaign, Mr. Phillips said emphatically "no." He did not believe, he said, that Labour had helped the Soviet Union to stall themselves in the Middle East.

NATO Warned Soviet Fleet Designed to Isolate U.S.

PARIS, Wednesday. — Admiral Wright, Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic, told the NATO parliamentarians' conference here today that the Soviet Union has the largest submarine fleet in peace time.

He said Russia is building a navy larger than all the other navies in the world combined, except the U.S. navy, for the single purpose of "the isolation of North America from Europe, the defeat by NATO of the Soviet fleet, and the destruction of our alliance."

(Russia is known to have 500 submarines and is building 75-100 every year, according to allied sources.)

Admiral Wright said the task of the allied Atlantic Command was to prevent the Soviet aim from being achieved, and to assure that North America and Europe were strongly tied together.

"We are mutually supporting each other," he said.

Tougher Russian Line Envisaged

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Army Chief of Staff, predicted today that Russia and the U.S. will avoid any action which could trigger the "mutual suicide" of a third World War.

The "most probable threat" to peace in years ahead, he said, will be in situations "short of general war."

In a speech prepared for the National Defence Executive Reserve conference, Gen. Taylor called for "coolness and steadiness" in the face of Soviet "atomic missile blackmail."

He pointed out that since World War II Russia or her allies have taken part in eight of 15 limited wars, and Soviet leaders have "always been willing to take chances" when they recognized the superiority of U.S. atomic power.

Now, with the rising Russian missile capability, it seems reasonable to expect an "increasingly aggressive attitude on their part," the army chief said. He added there is "decreasing likelihood" that either the U.S. or Russia would "deliberately initiate general atomic war."

French Deputies For 10th Anniversary

By MAURICE CARR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent.

PARIS, Wednesday. — An official French Parliamentary delegation is to visit Israel during the Tenth Anniversary celebrations, in accordance with an agreement reached between the Israeli Ambassador, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, and the Speaker of the National Assembly, M. Andre Le Troquier, it is learned here.

Gaillard Voted Emergency Powers

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — The National Assembly last night renewed the Government's special powers to combat Algerian nationalist activities, both in France and Algeria by 354 votes to 216.

The special powers which were first extended to Metropolitan France last July authorized the Government to intern indefinitely any person jailed for carrying illegal arms, reviving organizations declared illegal, or acting against the security of the state.

The period of preventive detention for persons suspected of such offences is increased from five to 21 days and night searches can be authorized.

Minister of Interior Bourges-Maunoury told the Assembly that the Government sweeping powers over prices and public expenditure. The Gaillard Cabinet has already decided to ask the Assembly for new taxation (about 85m.).

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U.K. to Safeguard Bahrain's Rights

By GERDA COHEN, Jerusalem Post Correspondent.

LONDON, Wednesday. — The Foreign Office today reiterated the view that Bahrain is an independent state under British protection, and that the British Government will stand by its obligations to safeguard the Persian island's sovereignty.

The statement followed reports from Tehran yesterday that the Shah had instructed his Cabinet to present a bill making Bahrain a Persian province.

The ancestors of the reigning Sheikh of Bahrain were expelled by the Persians in 1783. Persian claims were rejected by the British on several occasions since then, the most recent being five years ago. Bahrain has had British protection for almost a century.

The Foreign Office said that it has not instructed the British Embassy in Tehran to make a formal protest.

Franco-Egyptian Trade Accord Near

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — A Government spokesman said today that Franco-Egyptian economic, financial and cultural talks had developed "happily" and should lead to signature of an agreement for an exchange of goods each way.

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Syrian-Egyptian Trade Pact Signed

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuter). — Egypt and Syria tonight initialled a trade and payments agreement as "the first step towards economic unification between the two states," the Finance Ministry announced.

The agreement stipulates the exemption of agricultural, animal and natural resources from customs duties and a minimum of 25 per cent reduction in customs duties on industrial products.

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The Embassy of the Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics in Israel

thanks all organizations, institutions and persons for their greetings on the Fortieth Anniversary Day of the Great October Socialist Revolution.

YOUR KITCHEN IS NOT A LABORATORY

You cannot carry out chemical tests on the different kinds of washing soaps available on the market. Yet an inferior washing soap is liable to damage your valuable linen and will harm the sensitive skin of your hands.

To be on the safe side, buy "Menorah" Soap (white) or "Dekel" (yellow) made by "SHEMEN". Its superior quality is guaranteed.

READ IN THE JERUSALEM POST TOMORROW

UNDER THE RED FLAG
Donna Denny, British M.P., writes the first of a series of reports from an extensive trip through Russia, China and Eastern Europe.

GREEN LIGHT FOR GAILLARD
Maurice Carr points out why the French Right has grown weary of obstructionism.

ELASTICITY IN DISARMAMENT CONTROLS
Extracts from the text of Ambassador Eban's U.N. statement in the debate last week.

EDMUND WILSON'S UNFALLING CONCRETENESS
Another interview with a modern writer on contemporary problems.

THE NINTH ANNUAL TOY FUND DRIVE STARTS TOMORROW

Canada, US Jointly Seek Defence Against ICBM

OTTAWA, Wednesday (UP). — Prime Minister John Diefenbaker announced today that Canada would give "high priority" in its defence programme to an American-Canadian project designed to produce a warning system and defence against the ICBM.

Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with possibility of local showers.

	A	B	C	D
MT. CANAAN	60	55	50	45
THERIA	60	55	50	45
HAIFA PORT	60	55	50	45
HAIFA	60	55	50	45
TEL AVIV KIRYA	60	55	50	45
TEL AVIV PORT	60	55	50	45
LYDIA AIRPORT	60	55	50	45
JERUSALEM	60	55	50	45
BEERSHEBA	60	55	50	45
BEER	60	55	50	45
ELAT	60	55	50	45

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum temp. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

AIRLINES CARRIED 10,420 passengers, 145 tons of cargo and 28.5 tons of mail during the month of October, a Ministry of Transport spokesman reported yesterday.

A TEL AVIV greengrocer, Yosef Mizrahi, 31, was fined 11,000 yesterday by the local magistrate for assaulting an inspector who had come to his store to check the prices he was charging.

AN ARTILLERY shell, dating back to the 1948 Administration War, was discovered on Tuesday by a soldier ploughing his fields in Kfar Turan, near Nazareth. It was handed over to the police in Nazareth.

A DEPARTMENT of poultry research is to be set up at the Agricultural Research Station at Beit Dagon, including a special station dealing with duck, goose and turkey breeding.

FIFTY WATCHES specially adapted for the use of the blind have been donated to the Ministry of Social Welfare by the Society for the Israel Blind in Colmar, Switzerland.

NEARLY 800 athletes participated in courses held by the Ministry of Education and Culture's Physical Training section in recent months. Most of them were held at the Wingate Institute in Natanya.

THE ASHKELON Municipality yesterday appointed Mr. Meir Avish Acting Mayor during the absence of the Mayor, Mr. D. Tager, who is on a mission to South Africa. Mr. Tager is leaving on Monday.

THE CORNERSTONE for an Eilat kindergarten was laid yesterday in the presence of a delegation of the Canadian Histrut Campaign, who are financing the building. The delegation was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. I. Hamlin, and by Mr. Y. Haskin, the Treasurer of the Histrut.

Beersheba Firm Claims Harmless Insecticide

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday.—A new odorless insecticide called Danex, which is said to kill flies instantaneously, but to be absolutely harmless to humans, has been perfected by Macteshim, Ltd., in Beersheba.

Macteshim has also successfully produced an anti-biofilm preparation. Cotton, imports of which cost the country 11m. in foreign currency this year. Next year the local product will save 70 per cent of its cost in foreign currency.

B'nai B'rith Adopting Soldier Welfare Group

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LYDIA AIRPORT, Wednesday.—In the course of the current year, all Israel Soldiers Welfare Committees will be adopted by units of the B'nai B'rith Soldiers Welfare Committee in the U.S.

Mr. M. Halpern, chairman of the B'nai B'rith Soldiers Welfare Committee, declared on his arrival yesterday.

Mr. Halpern is here to study the technical problems involved in the adoption and to arrange the shipment of equipment for Soldiers Welfare Clubhouses. "Our main work is shipment of equipment, not money," Mr. Halpern emphasized, "but when money is needed, we manage that too."

Last year B'nai B'rith sent equipment and financial assistance to Israel totalling \$200,000.

He was met at the airport by a large delegation of the Israel Soldiers Welfare Committee.

Morris Cohen, Berlitz Manager, Dies at 58

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The death took place in Tel Aviv on Tuesday of Morris Cohen, manager of the Berlitz Language Schools in Israel. He was 58.

The funeral took place at Kfar Shaul.

He leaves a wife. The deceased was granted the title of "boy" by Kamal Ataturk in appreciation of his work in formulating the modern Turkish alphabet.

Committee Submits Proposals To Tighten Knesset Security

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset committee studying the question of security in the Knesset building yesterday morning submitted to the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, a report on its findings regarding the grenade-throwing of October 29. The committee is to hold a final meeting on Monday to conclude its recommendations for the future.

Although the chairman of the committee, Interior Minister Israel Bar-Yehuda, had previously told reporters that the committee would submit its report on the contents of the report on the submission to the Speaker, this was not done yesterday, apparently at the request of Mr. Sprinzak.

Mr. Sprinzak said that "not one detail" of the report would be released until next week.

However, from what Mr. Bar-Yehuda has already said, it is known that the committee's main recommendations are that the security and ceremonial functions of the Knesset should be divided among two individuals.

"Security needs a full-time chief," Mr. Bar-Yehuda said, adding that he knew of no other parliament where these two functions were exercised by one person.

Knesset Responsibility. Mr. Bar-Yehuda has also said that his committee would not recommend that any organization outside the Knesset be made responsible for Knesset security, but that this function continue to be the responsibility of the Knesset organization, Security in government departments is the responsibility of "Shin Bet," the Security Service.

Another recommendation is understood to call for closer scrutiny of visitors in the Knesset gallery, and that suspicious movements may be made grounds for questioning or searching a visitor. It is not expected that visitors will be searched as a matter of routine, however.

It is believed that visitors will not be permitted to carry even a notebook into the gallery, and no writing will be permitted. It is also believed that the number of permanent "white passes" issued to Government officials will be considerably reduced.

LYNCH RESIGNS FROM MAPAI

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mr. Eliezer Lynne, a former Knesset Member, has resigned from Mapai after 27 years of membership in the party.

In a letter to the party's headquarters, copies of which Mr. Lynne sent to the press, he gave as his chief reason the fact that the "Tenth Anniversary of the State has become the first year of limited freedom."

Mr. Lynne wrote that his "apprehensions regarding the character of the regime," which he described as "dark and pitiful," had been "confirmed with greater speed than I had anticipated." He also accused "the present leadership of the State" of "diverting him of all possibility of working in the party" and of preventing him from attempting to influence policy from within.

His resignation had been expected for some considerable time.

Once a leading party man and Mapai Member of the First and Second Knesset, he has been severely critical of the party's line, and its economic policy in particular for some years. His resignation drew the protest of his colleagues, and he was not included in the Mapai list for the Third Knesset election. Two weeks ago a special committee ordered him to vacate his house which the party believed was too luxurious for a member of a labour movement. Mr. Lynne justified his position and refused to comply.

Mr. Lynne is editor of the monthly "Beterem" which is sharply critical of Government policy.

C-o-l Linked Life Insurance to Be Sold

TEL AVIV, Wednesday.

A new dollar and c-o-l linked life-insurance scheme has been launched by ten insurance companies, Mr. M. Zilist, Director of the Hahassid Insurance Co., told newsmen here this morning.

The new linked life insurance, known as the "Chet" plan, would not only benefit the public at large, but the government too, said Zilist, by the large sums which would be invested by the insurance companies in the Palestine Electric Corporation, enabling it to carry out long-term investment projects.

The companies participating in the plan are: Arye, Bohan, Binyan, Hahassid, Israel Phoenix, Judea, Migdal, Menorah, Sahar, and Zion.

Rasco Plans IL1m. Debenture Issue

Rasco Rural and Suburban Settlement Company, Ltd., is planning to issue a new series of 60 per cent debentures to the sum of IL1m.

Mr. Isaac Wolfson, General Manager, announced at a small reception held last week honouring Mr. Isaac Wolfson before his departure for London.

The new debentures will be dollar-linked and quoted on the Tel Aviv stock exchange, thus enabling foreign investors to purchase them. Mr. Wolfson promised his support in launching the new debentures.

A REGULAR TAXI service from Tel Aviv to Eilat will be inaugurated in another two weeks by the Yael-Daroma company, employing 12-seat taxis.

Production Up; Trade Gap Bigger

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Notes on expanded economic activity and a warning against the widening export-import gap were the main features of the sixth Survey of the Bank of Israel, published yesterday.

The survey, which covers the first six months of this year, reported that industrial production rose by 13 to 15 per cent, farm output by 10 per cent and building activity by 16 per cent. The reasons given for the increases are attributed to the lessening of military and mass immigration and German restitution payments.

Exports during this period rose by 22 per cent, partly owing to excellent citrus prices received last winter. Nevertheless, the trade deficit widened by four per cent because of increased imports. The labour force grew by 20,000, and the number of unemployed rose by 10,000.

Mr. Yitzhak Raphael (Haapoel Hamizrah) called the Knesset's attention to the booklet "Hedim" (Echoes). He said that the booklet, which names, dates and places where pressure had been exerted on parents in dozens of villages not to send their children to State religious schools. He demanded the appointment of a parliamentary committee to investigate the charges.

Mr. Yacov Katz (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) charged that the basic principles of the Government, guaranteeing each parent free choice of a school for his children, were not being observed.

Replying for the Government, Mr. Asaf characterized the booklet cited as a collection of "slanders, lies, and distortions published anonymously."

He referred to half-a-dozen cases listed in the booklet, and said that investigations had revealed that signatures on letters and petitions to the Ministry had been forged, and that many of the names were those of persons who did not have children at all or whose children were not of school age.

A petition with 20 signatures had been received from the village of Sde Eizrah (near Beer-Tuvia) demanding the closure of the school for their children. The Ministry announced that school registration would take place on Nov. 21, 1957. Not one parent showed up. The Ministry then took the exceptional step of setting up a special school for the children.

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Unemployment On Increase in Beersheba

Jerusalem Post Reporter

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Yuvaf Gad Work Week Cut by Half

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHKELON, Wednesday.—A drastic curtailment in the Yuvaf Gad Pipe Factory work schedule was announced today by Mr. V. Jules, the managing director, to a works committee.

The committee was told that in future each worker will only be employed three days a week. The cut-back became necessary due to the limited orders on hand for regular-sized pipes.

Production of the larger pipe for Jordan-Nabatah pipeline will begin next fall after special equipment has been installed.

The works committee has sent a special delegation to the Finance Ministry protesting the management's decision and demanding a full work week.

Agency Settlement Budget Upped IL5m.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jewish Agency Settlement budget for the six-month period ending March 31 has been increased by IL5m. A proposal to this effect is to be brought by the Agency Treasurer before the Executive at the beginning of next week.

The Finance Ministry spokesman confirmed yesterday that IL5m. will be made available to the Settlement Department on account of its next year's budget; the sum, therefore, will not appear on the present interim budget.

The Agency will henceforth begin its fiscal year on April 1 to bring it in line with that of the Government.

In addition, the Treasury will allocate funds to purchase additional lands for immigrant settlements.

Censure of Zion's Master Protested

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday.—The secretary of the Masters' and Chief Engineers section of the Seamen's Union, Captain Walter Dalman, yesterday wrote an open letter to Transport Minister Moshe Carmel in which he protested the latter's public censure of Captain E. Yoran, master of the a.s. Zion, for having run her aground off Jaffa on September 6.

He also protested against the composition of the enquiry committee, which found Captain Yoran guilty of negligence. The committee was made up of four officials of the Ministry, all experienced seamen.

Moreover, Captain Yoran had boarded his ship only six minutes before she ran aground, that she steamed towards her anchorage at an excessive speed of 11.5 knots, and that the posting of his crew had been unsatisfactory.

The Minister censured him and ordered suspension of his Master's ticket for six months if he is found responsible for another accident within 18 months. An internal enquiry committee of the Zim Navigation Co., owner of the "Zion," also found Captain Yoran guilty of negligence after an independent investigation.

Captain Yoran has been granted shore leave by his employers pending the results of the investigation.

S.S. Kishon Sold To South African Firm

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday.—The 2,000-ton freighter s.s. Kishon has been sold by the Traders and Shippers Company to the South African Coasters Ltd.

The 35-year-old, 14-knot ship hoisted the Israel flag two years ago and immediately made a record when her owners protested her exclusion from the citrus carrying business. It was claimed at the time that she was unsuitable for such cargo.

Captain Eric J. Edgar, Haifa dockmaster, thought she was in very good condition, and his opinion was shared by Captain E. Dwyer, who came to Haifa to appraise her on behalf of the buyers. She will now be employed in coastal shipping between Durban and Cape Town.

The South African company has already taken her over, and she has been put on the floating dock for 24 hours for inspection.

"We intend buying a larger and more modern ship soon which will be more suited to our requirements," said Mr. D. T. Wurmbrand, director of Traders and Shippers. "We received a very fair price for the 'Kishon' which is in excellent condition," he added.

Gillon Charges Malinki Never Said 'May Allah Have Mercy...'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The phrase "may Allah have mercy on their souls" was never used during the Orders Group by Rav-Seren Shmuel Malinki, the No. 1 accused in the Kafr Kasim tragedy, Sgan-Aluf Colin Gillon said yesterday to the Military Tribunal.

The Tribunal is trying 11 Border Force policemen for the death of 43 villagers in Kafr Kasim on October 29, 1956.

S/A Gillon also said that Malinki was lying when he claimed he used this phrase at his Orders Group after hearing it from Aluf-Mishne Isaac-Shah Shadmi. For A/M Shadmi never used it.

"But even if A/M Shadmi had used this phrase, he never said it with regard to the villagers returning to their homes," the prosecutor continued. He added that the witness who claimed that he heard Malinki utter this expression at the Orders Group were lying.

It was during this Orders Group that Malinki was asked what was to be done with any villagers returning unaware of the 5 p.m. curfew. Malinki told his officers that the fate was to be the same as that of the others (i.e. the curfew breakers), thus paving the way for the killings that were to take place.

S/A Gillon rejected Malinki's defence that he had intended this latter phrase to apply only to those who returned under suspicious circumstances across the fields. The prosecutor also rejected Malinki's statement that

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I Believed Kastner Sold His Soul to the Devil—Eckstein

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday.—"I believed in Dr. B. Ha-Levi's verdict that Dr. Kastner sold his soul to the devil," Zeev Eckstein, accused of killing Dr. Kastner, told the District Court here today. He is charged, together with Yosef Menkes and Dan Shemer, with the assassination of Dr. Israel Kastner last March.

He was testifying for the second day from the witness stand, after having confessed yesterday to committing the murder, at Menkes' prompting.

Eckstein was being cross-examined by Menkes' counsel, Mr. Kitzman, when he said: "I did not have any personal motive against Dr. Kastner. Although the verdict affected me, it did not influence me any more than other reports of corruption."

"Although I believed in the Greater Kingdom of Israel ideology at the time of the murder, I was not the one who picked out Kastner as the victim. If I had anything against him, I would have killed him the day after the publication of the verdict," he told the Court.

Eckstein told of his fear of Menkes: "In fact I am afraid of him to this very day. I was under a sort of hypnosis, otherwise I would not have gone into this matter," he said.

At the time, he had not doubted Menkes' power; "I was told that he was an expert in such matters, and that what Menkes did not know about conspiracy and terror was not worth knowing."

"Before and during the crime I was like a drunken man. I made every possible mistake. I tell you if I had planned the whole affair properly, and the escape, I would not be standing here at this moment," Eckstein declared, bending over the stand and gripping the edge of the box.

Eckstein said that if Dr. Kastner had arrived five minutes later, he would have driven away, given up and fled to his place. "But Dr. Shemer (Shemer) was telling me an interesting story when the car arrived." He said that he had made previous attempts to meet Kastner under Menkes' instructions.

He stressed: "I do not hate Menkes nor Heruti, I only hate the truth."

Shemer's counsel, Mr. Y. Henigman, asked the court to excuse his client from appearing, as he was ill. The hearing will continue tomorrow. It will then be adjourned until December 1, owing to the resumption of the trial of Yacov Heruti on Sunday next.

JERUSALEM POLICE OFFICER RESIGNS

Reports of mass resignations from the Jerusalem District Police Force are entirely unfounded, a senior police officer stated yesterday.

He added that only one officer, First Inspector Yacov Efrat of the Criminal Investigation Department, had submitted his resignation.

when he said that the Border Force would not do anything with wounded, he meant that other bodies like the Magen David Adom, or a Burial Society, would do this. Malinki's explanation of his statement was "born" during the present trial, the prosecutor said.

He added that the entire conversation between Malinki, and his deputy, Mr. Arye Alexandroni, was an invention.

Malinki told the court that Mr. Alexandroni had asked him to go to A/M Shadmi and ask to have the order "softened down."

S/A Gillon will continue his summing up today.

Kafr Kasim Elders Approve Indemnity

PETAH TIKVA, Wednesday.

The proposals of the public committee for the compensation of the villagers of Kafr Kasim have been accepted with satisfaction by the villagers, it was declared by the 13 heads of the village families, at the committee's last meeting held today.

At this meeting it was also decided to hold a "suha" (conciliation feast) in the near future, in order to put an end to the entire chapter of the Kafr Kasim tragedy.

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